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Government, Citizens Clash At IRS Hearing

By Carol Franklin

WASHINGTON (BP) — Government agencies and private citizens clashed at hearings in Washington held by the Internal Revenue Service on a proposed revenue procedure to require private schools to prove they are racially nondiscriminatory or lose their tax-exempt status.

The IRS proposal was supported by the Department of Justice, the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, and the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. Numerous private schools, including church-related schools, as well as members of Congress strongly opposed the proposed procedure. The American Civil Liberties Union and the League of Women Voters were the only private organizations which testified in favor of the IRS proposal.

The overwhelming majority of witnesses at the four-day hearing said that the proposal would only hasten the

death of many private schools innocent of racial discrimination without significantly achieving the goal of integration.

The proposal, first published August 22, 1978, in the "Federal Register," would give the IRS power to review the tax exempt status of a private school if it is judged discriminatory in a court of law, if it was formed or "substantially expanded" when public schools in the area were desegregated, or if it has an "insignificant number" of minority students.

A Percentage of Percentage

"Significant" is defined by IRS as 20 percent of a city's percentage of minority school age population. Private schools in a city of 50 percent minority students would need a 10 percent minority enrollment.

A school also could meet the IRS criteria of nondiscrimination if it granted scholarships to minority students, actively recruited minority students and staff, had an increasing percentage of minority enrollment, or made other efforts to involve minorities in school activities.

James P. Turner, assistant attorney general of the civil rights division of the Department of Justice, said that the proposed procedure would "significantly promote the overall federal policy of prohibiting governmental aid of any kind to private enterprises engaged in racial discrimination."

But U. S. Rep. Marjorie S. Holt, R-

Md., declared "many of these religious schools are representative of church congregations that lack minority members, although they do not bar minorities from church membership. They do not have the financial resources to offer scholarship help to students outside these congregations, or to conduct extensive recruiting of outside students."

Rep. Holt also told the IRS panel: "We can all agree that the law should prohibit certain anti-social acts, but it is quite another matter for the law to require the performance of acts deemed by some authorities to be socially desirable. It is the difference between protecting people or managing them."

Nathan Z. Dershowitz of the American Jewish Congress said at the hearing that the IRS proposal "failed to recognize the unique and special considerations which affect Jewish religious schools."

Colorblind Faith

"Although Judaism worldwide is a color-blind faith and there are oriental Jews and black Jews as well as caucasian Jews, the fact remains that few non-caucasian Jews settled in America," he said.

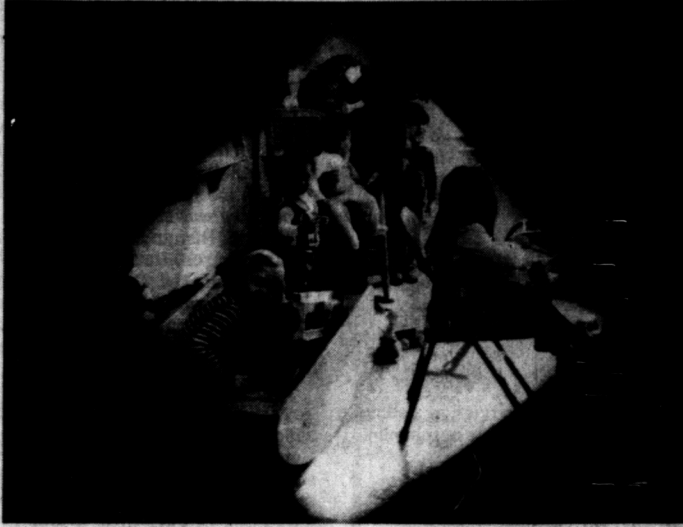
Dershowitz also commented that the pluralistic society of America "permits each minority group to maintain its own integrity and identify and contribute from its own traditions and

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That's Italian!

They're cooking Goggnohi (pronounced n-yoki), above. It's a pasta dish and is being prepared by English class student Adriana Wriborg. Besides her classmates, in the picture are Missionary Paul Vandercook and FBC, Pascagoula Pastor Clark McMurray. At right, volunteer Sheila Bryant of Ingalls Avenue Church tends the international nursery. That day she was aided by fellow member, Debbie Ogle, not pictured. All workers in the conversational English school are volunteers. The church volunteers space and hostesses who include Belle Russell and Zaida Meadows.



Guru Gives Cole Slaw

FORT WORTH, Texas (BP) — For one week's salary, Maharishi Cosgrove will serve up a sheet of the world's most beloved chants and a choice of inner calm or cole slaw.

The Maharishi, with his booth next to a delicatessen, is really just one of three cult characters satirist Stan Freberg has set up for a critical and humorous examination through public service radio announcements from the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission.

"Actually, I didn't do these audio essays for any religious organization," Freberg said. "I did them for the Lord. It was one of the greatest challenges of my life, not just as a writer or producer, but as a Christian."

Freberg takes off in two other essays on "California Tracts and Transcontinental Meditation," and "Werner Von Ersatz," all aimed at young adults who are trying to escape life. All three will

be mailed to 7,500 radio stations in the U. S. in January by the Radio-TV Commission.

"Baptists are greatly concerned about the so-called self-improvement movement and we felt the need to challenge it," said Paul M. Stevens, president of the Radio and Television Commission. "Some of these are racketeering the human race."

"If we satirize the 'new' religions which urged people to think always and first of their own fulfillment, welfare and comfort, we will be able to talk about the self-forgetfulness that goes along with loving Christ more than self. This is the single most needed message of 1979."

The self-help movements are easy to satirize because they have a little sense of humor. "They are so serious . . . sitting ducks for a satirist," said Freberg.

As for the Maharishi, his inner calm is great. But his cole slaw is more fulfilling.

International Cooking Is English Class Sideline

By Tim Nicholas

The kitchen was steamy. The smell of tomato sauce wafting through the house, homemade pasta being rolled and cut. A gaggle of women laboriously copying the recipe.

Sounds like a class to learn the international language of cooking. No, these women are gathered to learn English — the cooking is just a sideline with them.

Each Wednesday morning, about 10 women come together at a little house on the property of First Baptist Church, Pascagoula, for conversational English classes. Some would never come to church, but they're happy to be a part of a class that provides lessons in the language of their new homeland, plus find the common bond of a common situation.

The classes are a ministry of the Jackson and Gulf Coast Baptist Associations, and directed by Fran Vandercook, wife of Paul Vandercook.

language missions director for the two associations.

Fran oversees the four classes at FBC, Pascagoula, plus classes which meet weekly at D'Iberville Baptist Church in Harrison County and in First Baptist Church, Gautier, in Jackson County. Wini Harris is director of the FBC, Pascagoula classes.

All three "schools" operate under the heading Project HOPE (Helping Others Practice English), a term originated from a similar program at West Memorial Baptist Church in Houston, Texas.

The conversational English schools started more than three years ago when a Danish woman visiting her daughter in the states decided she needed to communicate better with her grandchildren. The daughter asked Fran, her neighbor, to help with English lessons. So for several months, a couple of hours a day, five

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Former Missionaries To Guyana Reunite

By Don McGregor

The world-wide attention recently focused on the small South American nation of Guyana made even more poignant the reunion of two couples who served together there as missionaries.

Charles and Mary Love of Texas, on furlough from Guyana, were in Jackson for a missions emphasis week end at First Baptist Church. The love that binds missionaries together was apparent when John and Jean Jacobs of Newton arrived at the motel to visit the Loves, whom they hadn't seen since leaving Guyana four years ago.

With all four talking at the same time, they couldn't get in enough words to get each other caught up on the news.

The Jacobs are now affiliated with Clarke College. John teaches in the Bible department, and Jean is public relations director.

Guyana evidently is not an easy place to live by American standards, though both the Loves and the Jacobs said it is a joyous place to serve. Mary Love said that screens on the windows indicate that a North American lives in the house. The Guyanese feel that screens keep out some of the wind. "They also keep out the mosquitoes," she said. She added that there are about 200 Americans there now other than the Guyanese.

The Loves had had very little contact with the Peoples' Temple of Jim Jones, thought they were vaguely aware of its existence. Mary had met two women from the compound sometime back at meetings of an American women's group. Jones arrived after the Loves left on furlough.

During this past term of service the Loves had wanted to establish an agricultural mission in Guyana. The president of the Guyana Baptist Convention had toured the Peoples' Temple farm complex about 2½ years ago for information purposes, but the Southern Baptist farm enterprise never got under way.

The Jacobs did not want to give up their Guyana ministry. Following a furlough in 1974, however, they were unable to return. The Loves are praying that the doors will remain open so that they may return.

Both couples pointed out that the Foreign Mission Board does not send missionaries to a country. They have to feel called to serve there, and service is difficult where they have not

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Clarke President Resigns

Citing health and family responsibilities as concerns requiring immediate attention, S. L. Harris presented his resignation as president of Clarke College at the December 5 meeting of the board of trustees. The resignation is effective Jan. 15, 1979. Harris' last day in his office will be Dec. 29.



S. L. Harris

Harris came to Clarke one and one-half years ago from a position at Tarrant County Junior College, Northeast Campus, Fort Worth, Texas.

The board of trustees accepted Harris' resignation with regret and is hosting a reception on December 15 as a farewell for the Harris. Mrs. Harris has served as college librarian during the past 18 months. The reception will be held in the college cafeteria from 2:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon Dec. 15. A cordial invitation to all Clarke friends and supporters is extended by the trustees, faculty and staff.

A. C. Johnson, director of Development and Alumni, has been asked by the Board of Trustees to serve as acting president for the interim period.

Evangelism-Bible Meet Planned For Meridian

The Evangelism-Bible Conference for 1979 will meet in Meridian at First Baptist Church, Feb. 12-14.

Among the conference speakers, representing evangelism, will be John Bisagno, pastor of First Baptist Church, Houston, Tex.; E. V. Hill, pastor of Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Los Angeles, Calif.; and C. B. Hogue, director, Evangelism Section, Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

This event, jointly sponsored by the Evangelism and Sunday School Departments of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board has a two-fold purpose.

It is to provide inspiration and motivation for pastors in their evangelistic approach. And it is to provide them with a challenge in Bible study for the enrichment of their pastoral ministry. Although the aims are directed at

Mississippi Baptist pastors, all lay persons and church staff are invited to participate.

This conference is a melding of what have been in the past, two conferences

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A reunion of missionaries to Guyana takes place as Mr. and Mrs. Charles Love of Texas, left, and Mr. and Mrs. John Jacobs of Mississippi visit.

Iran Mission Work Remains "As Usual"

TEHERAN, Iran (BP) — Southern Baptist missionaries in the strife-torn country of Iran are continuing their ministries, including regular worship services and the morning presentation of a Christmas cantata.

James F. Kirkendall, Southern Baptist missionary field representative for South Asia, reported by phone Dec. 7 that missionaries were going about usual church activities and visitation during the day and staying in their homes at night, when many of the anti-Shah demonstrations occur.

A Southern Baptist volunteer, Hubert Williams, will return home with employees of an American company. Other missionary personnel will continue as usual.

Kirkendall emphasized that Americans leaving Iran are doing so voluntarily and not under instructions of the American embassy.

Americans were being advised to stay close at home Dec. 10-11 when Kirkendall said the worst violence was expected but did not occur.

Murdered Missionary's Widow Is Certain Of Victory To Come

By Ruth Fowler

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — Margaret Dunaway has lost her husband, her adopted homeland and people, and — for now — her work as a missionary. Yet she smiles, waiting expectantly to see God "work his miracles" to change these losses into victories.

Mrs. Dunaway, the widow of Archie G. Dunaway Jr., a Mississippian, who was murdered in Rhodesia in June teaches midwifery at a Nashville medical school as the first step toward rebuilding her life.

She and her husband served 31 years in Africa — first in Nigeria and then in Rhodesia — before guerillas killed Dunaway at the Sanyati Baptist Compound. Mrs. Dunaway saw the people she believes were his murderers just minutes after he failed to meet her at their usual time after work.

His bayoneted body was not discovered until the next morning, but Mrs.

Dunaway sensed almost immediately that her husband had been killed.

"I have to believe that this was God's plan for Archie's life all along," she says. She also believes he may have deliberately led the attackers away from the hospital and from the other missionaries. "He would have done anything to keep them away from me," she says.

Mrs. Dunaway admits her grief is for more than her husband. Her life's work is in Africa.

"I love the people of Africa in a way I can't begin to describe. My love for them is a true gift of God," she said. "I don't believe God led us through so much to have it all end like this. I know he is still at work."

Her heart is in Africa. She wants to return. Her work is unfinished.

A school for midwives opened under her direction at Sanyati just a year ago. She had some promising students and hoped they would become

teachers, keeping with the Southern Baptist missionaries' plan to have Africans in leadership positions in Rhodesia. The missionaries realized their time in Africa might be shortened by the political trouble and wanted the work to go on if they had to leave.

Her husband had hoped to find an African station manager for many months, but had not. Except for weekly visits by Maurice L. Randall, a physician, and John W. Monroe, a dentist, the 300,000 residents of the Sanyati Tribal Trust now have no medical care. The schools and churches continue under guidance of African leaders who were in charge before Dunaway's death.

"We wanted to start the midwifery school last fall and then I became ill. It looked for a time as though I could not work in Rhodesia," Mrs. Dunaway re-

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Good News Mississippi Funding Is Well Underway

At a Witness Training Seminar for Good News Mississippi last week in Prentiss, the Good News Mississippi Committee received three checks for development of the program. Richard Porter, right, and Earl Kelly, executive secretary, of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, left, display one of the checks. The two are co-chairmen of the interracial evangelistic committee which will feature a joint rally next March 23 in Jackson, then simultaneous revivals in black and white Baptist churches all across the state in April. Porter, president of the East Mississippi Missionary Baptist Convention, and pastor of the Owens Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Columbia, presented two checks. One for \$500 came from his convention; and one for \$250 came from his congregation's Wednesday night missions offering. J. R. Porter, pastor of St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church in Waynesboro, presented a check for \$200 from his church. This money will be added to \$10,000 from the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board and a matching \$10,000 from the Home Mission Board for the evangelistic campaign.



Good News Mississippi

Witness Training Attracts 100

More than 100 National Baptist lay leaders and ministers participated in Good News Mississippi Witness Training Seminars last week.

The seminars, held at Sophia Sutton Baptist Assembly at Prentiss, included training in use of a tract in witnessing, development of a personal testimony, the witnessing visit in the home, and messages on the type of life needed to witness.

Leaders for the sessions included J. Alfred Smith, acting dean, American Baptist Seminary of the West, Berkeley, Calif., Donald Johnson, consultant, Evangelism Section, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Roy Collum, director, Evangelism Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, and Earl Kelly, executive secretary, MBCB. Dick Brogan, president of Mississippi Baptist Seminary, presided.

Roy Collum used a teaching machine (TELL—training evangelis-

tic lay leadership) to outline his session on developing a personal testimony.

"Your personal testimony is an expression of your personal experience in Christ," said the machine. The testimony should have three characteristics: authority of a first hand account, communicates, and relates.

The lesson used Paul's testimony in Acts 22:1-16; 26:9-18, as a model.

Four areas of the testimony were mentioned: describe my life before you became a Christian; How I realized my need of Christ; How I received Jesus Christ; and What God is doing in my life now.

Testimonies should be only about 200 words — 90 seconds worth. "It's easier to make one longer, than to shorten it," said Collum.

He told the participants to keep their testimonies, which they wrote during the session.

Collum had participants write tes-

timonies during the session. He told them to avoid being mechanical, keep it short and simple, keep to the point, avoid bragging and negative remarks, and don't use church words. "Our purpose is to be understood by people outside the family of God," he explained.

He challenged them to rewrite the testimonies, then share it with a Christian friend, then with one who is not a Christian.

J. Alfred Smith spoke on "The Cleansed and Controlled Life."

"If we are to be witnesses, the world will get the message, not so much by what we say, as what we are," Smith told participants.

He told of different ways people

model their lives, all but one of which is inadequate. "Rationalism is an inadequate guide. The intellect has a way of stumbling and falling. After the fall of Adam in the Garden, you can't trust intellect anymore," he said.

He said cultural relativity is also wrong. "I don't believe there's a standard of morality for one culture and a different standard of right and wrong for another," he commented. "I believe as a Baptist there is one law, one faith, one baptism."

He blasted the pleasure principle and situational ethics. Only the Christian way is the right one. "You can do the right thing for the wrong reason," he cautioned. "Give Christ the credit."



Here, the participants in the Good News Mississippi Witness Training Seminars relate their written Christian testimonies with one another.

MC Professor Stevens Dies Monday In Clinton

William W. Stevens, 64, chairman of the religion division at Mississippi College, died of an apparent heart attack Monday in his home in Clinton.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the First Baptist Church, Clinton, with burial at Lakewood Memorial Park.

Stevens, a native of Huntington, W. Va., was also head of the department of Bible and Theophilus W. Green Professor of Bible and New Testament Greek.

He came to Mississippi College in 1955 from the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Hodgenville, Ky.

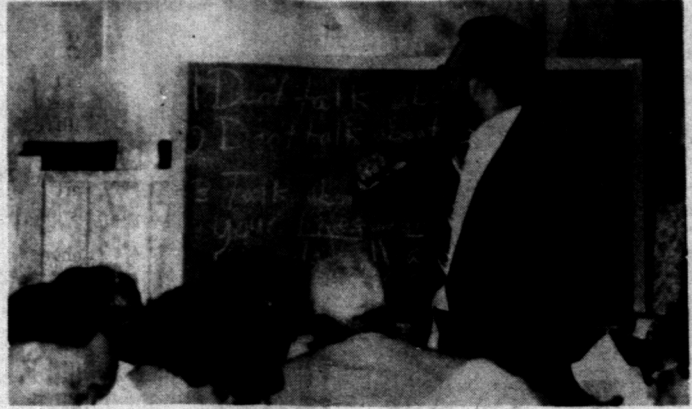
Stevens was a graduate of Marshall University in Huntington and earned the master of theology and doctor of philosophy degrees from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

Ordained to the gospel ministry in 1942, he served as a Navy chaplain from 1944-46.

He was past president of the Association of Baptist Professors of Religion and belongs to the Society of Biblical Literature and American Academy of Religion. He has been listed in more than a dozen compilations of persons of distinction including "Men of Achievement," and "Who's Who in America."

Stevens is survived by his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Powell Stevens; three sons, William Powell Stevens III, David Stevens, and John Stevens, all of Clinton; a brother, Jack L. Stevens of Huntington; and five grandchildren.

Jefferson City, Tennessee — At its December meeting the Carson-Newman College Board of Trustees approved plans to proceed with the development of a Bible School which would operate in connection with the College. Target date for the first classes is set for the fall of 1979.



Donald Johnson of the Home Mission Board staff, gives the rules for getting to know others in a small group, including ways to break down barriers of communication.

FMB Notes Possible Indonesia Work Threats

RICHMOND, Va. (BP) — The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board continued to appoint missionaries at a record pace in November, but heard a report that new government edicts may pose a threat to work in Indonesia, one of its most responsive mission fields.

Board members strengthened Southern Baptists' overseas force by approving 31 new missionaries and reappointing four former missionaries. Two of the reappointments were effective immediately, bringing the total additions for the year to 329 — an increase of 50 over the record 279 approved last year. Another appointment service is scheduled in December.

William R. Wakefield, secretary for Southeast Asia who had just returned from Indonesia, said that two new edicts by Indonesia's minister of religion, if fully implemented, would prohibit witnessing to any person who already has another religion and would require missionaries to train Indonesians to replace them within two years.

Although a majority of Indonesia's 140 million people are Muslims, Southern Baptists have had "almost unlimited freedom" to do evangelistic work since the board's first mis-

sionaries arrived there in 1951, Wakefield said. A total of 112 missionaries are now assigned to the southeast Asian country. The Association of Indonesian Baptist Churches reported 103 churches and 222 preaching points with 14,422 members at the end of 1977.

The new decrees, issued in August but apparently not made public until October, have aroused strong protest from the Indonesian Council of Churches and from Roman Catholics. Wakefield said that a key Indonesian Baptist leader has requested that there be "no confrontation on our part on the basis of the decrees, but that continued personal attempts be made to get the decrees softened in their implementation."

In other actions, the board appropriated \$38,000 from relief funds and \$34,000 from hunger funds to aid disaster and war victims.

Self-pity not only makes you miserable, but it loses you the sympathy of those around you.

Truth is the foundation of all progress. Nothing is lasting that is not founded upon truth.

A smile is the same in all languages.

Newsbriefs In The World Of Religion



London (RNS) — In "one of the most fantastic Bible-production efforts ever," Britain's Bible Society has produced a 1,760-page Bible in the little-known language of Frisian in 10 weeks. Frisian is spoken in northern Holland by 450,000 people living in the Province of Friesland and some 50,000 others living in other areas of Holland, the United States, Canada and Australia.

Hong Kong Records 2,500

HONG KONG (BP) — Baptists in Hong Kong recorded more than 2,500 decisions for Christ during a recent seven-day evangelistic crusade held in the British crown colony.

Although it was set for four nights, Hong Kong Baptist pastors unanimously voted after the second service to extend the crusade three additional nights in the 9,500-seat stadium. Total attendance was 59,000.

John R. Bisagno, pastor of First Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, was the main speaker. Five Chinese Baptist pastors from California, Texas and Canada participated and Winnie Chan, Miss Hong Kong of 1978, gave her testimony two nights.

The stadium crusade was part of a larger Hong Kong for Christ crusade which included Witness Involvement Now (WIN) schools, a church growth seminar and church crusades following the stadium crusade. The whole emphasis is part of a major city evangelization program sponsored by Southern Baptists in an effort to reach all the people in major cities of the world for Christ.



Zeno and Thelma Wells

Zeno Wells Will Retire This Month

Zeno Wells will retire Dec. 31, after 11 years as director of missions for Jackson County Association.

Under his leadership the association has bought seven mission sites in addition to one that was donated; started seven mission chapels; organized eight missions into churches (at present two chapels are operating). Two ministries, language and Christian social ministries, have been started. The associational budget has grown from \$16,000 for 1968 to \$70,000 for 1979.

Wells, born at Magee, graduated from Clarke, Mississippi College, and New Orleans Seminary.

He married Thelma Steward of Pensacola, Fla., and they have five children.

Before becoming director of missions, Wells served pastorates in Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana. At one time he was minister of education and music at First Church, Brookhaven. He moved to Pascagoula from the pastorate of Brookwood Church, Prichard, Ala.

Jackson County Association during its annual session in October held a special service in honor of the retiring executive director.

Nashville — Representatives from three Southern Baptist agencies and four state conventions meeting here approved a recommendation for a Church Study Course diploma in Spanish and English and identified priority needs in Spanish materials for hispanic groups in the United States. Beginning Oct. 1, 1979, the Christian Development Diploma in the study course will be available both in Spanish and English. The catalog listing books in Spanish which meet the course requirements will be available in June 1979, according to Bill Cox, study course coordinator at the Sunday School Board.

Washington (BP) — President Carter, signed into law an ethics in government act passed by Congress which requires personal financial disclosure for high officials in the executive branch, for members of Congress, and for many federal judges, including Supreme Court justices. In addition, the new law seeks to shut down the traditional "revolving door" practice through which officials go into high-paying positions with private companies they dealt with while in government. The law also establishes a Special Office of Government Ethics within the new civil service structure. It calls for the appointment of a special prosecutor in the event of allegations of crimes committed by high public officials.

Vigo, Spain — The Alcaldesa (Mayor) of Vigo granted an interview to Spanish Baptists working on a project of the Five-Year Mission Plan in the city. Those received by the Mayor were Dennis Hale, pastor of the Vigo Baptist Church, Sr. Jose Manuel Formoso, one of the young leaders of the congregation, Fernando Vergara and the Rev. and Mrs. Joe Mefford, who are serving as evangelists for the Five-Year Mission Plan. Hale and the Meffords are Southern Baptist missionaries in Spain.

Madrid — Pastor Jose Luis Martinez, elected President of the Spanish Baptist Union at its August meeting, has resigned. The Union's promoter of Missions and current head of the Five-Year Mission Plan, Pastor Maximiliano Garcia, has been named acting President until the next assembly. Martinez, a graduate of the Spanish Baptist Seminary and of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Ruschlikon, Switzerland, is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Valencia. He resigned the presidential post due to the absence required from the congregation.

Clash At IRS Hearings

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creative forces to the mainstream of American life."

The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs also testified against the proposed procedure. James E. Wood Jr., executive director, stressed the constitutional problems with the proposal. "The fundamental issue which is raised by the proposed revenue procedure is religious liberty and the separation of church and state rather than the furtherance of a meritorious public policy of abolishing racial discrimination," Wood said.

June Griffin of Evansville, Tenn., requested permission to speak from the floor after listening to several members of Congress request the IRS to wait on implementation of the procedure until Congress could hold hearings on the subject. "I get the feeling Congress is asking these men's (IRS) permission to do this and that," she said. "We don't want this proposal ground through the mills of compromise; we want it buried." Judging by the enthusiastic response from the audience, Griffin spoke for the majority present.

(Carol Franklin is a writer for the Baptist Joint Committee)



Lottie's Relative Gives Memorabilia

Idell Corn of East Flat Rock, N. C., listens as Lynda Lynch Harmon of Richmond, Va., reads from a letter written by the late Lottie Moon, Southern Baptists' most notable missionary. Mrs. Corn holds the lap desk owned by Miss Moon during her 40 years as a missionary to China, 1873 to 1912. The desk, three letters and an essay handwritten by Lottie Moon, were given to the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board archives by Orie A. Davis of East Flat Rock, a great-niece of Miss Moon. Mrs. Corn, a friend of Mrs. Davis, delivered the items to the board office in Richmond. Also on hand for the presentation of the gifts was Mrs. Harmon, great-great-niece of Lottie Moon.

Top 100 Churches In Sunday School Enrolment

Following is a statistical review based on figures taken from the current church letter, based on 1977-78.

1. 3318 Hinds-Madison	Jackson, First	50. 892 Lauderdale	Highland
2. 2660 Hinds-Madison	Parkway	51. 891 Pearl River	Picayune, First
3. 2490 Hinds-Madison	Broadmoor	52. 881 Rankin	Pearl, First
4. 2256 Washington	Greenville, First	53. 875 Hinds-Madison	Woodland Hills
5. 2165 Hinds-Madison	Alta Woods	54. 868 Hinds-Madison	Midway
6. 1763 Hinds-Madison	Calvary	55. 863 Rankin	Pearson
7. 1668 Oktibbeha	Starkville, First	56. 861 Lauderdale	Poplar Springs Drive
8. 1600 Lee	Harrisburg	57. 844 Winston	Louisville, First
9. 1566 Hinds-Madison	Morrison Heights	58. 809 Hinds-Madison	Canton, First
10. 1405 Desoto	Colonial Hills	59. 791 Yazoo	Yazoo City, First
11. 1384 Warren	Vicksburg, First	60. 777 Hinds-Madison	McDowell Road
12. 1377 Lowndes	Columbus, First	61. 768 Leflore	Calvary
13. 1359 Lincoln	Brookhaven, First	62. 764 Marshall	Carey Chapel
14. 1352 Gulf Coast	Biloxi, First	63. 763 Lebanon	Petal Harvey
15. 1352 Lebanon	Hattiesburg, First	64. 762 Rankin	McLaurin Heights
16. 1347 Jackson	Pascagoula, First	65. 760 Jackson	Moss Point, First
17. 1340 Hinds-Madison	Colonial Heights	66. 751 Hinds-Madison	Ridgecrest
18. 1338 Hinds-Madison	Oak Forest	67. 745 Bolivar	Cleveland, First
19. 1331 Lauderdale	Meridian, First	68. 744 Monroe	Amory, First
20. 1305 Hinds-Madison	Clinton, First	69. 742 Lauderdale	15th Avenue
21. 1305 Lebanon	Main Street	70. 726 Simpson	Magee, First
22. 1280 Gulf Coast	Gulfport, First	71. 723 Tishomingo	Iuka
23. 1271 Rankin	Brandon, First	72. 720 Pontotoc	Pontotoc, First
24. 1264 Desoto	Horn Lake	73. 718 Scott	Forest
25. 1260 Lebanon	Temple	74. 714 Lamar	Purvis, First
26. 1196 Clay	West Point, First	75. 714 Desoto	Southaven
27. 1142 Grenada	Grenada, First	76. 711 Jackson	Escatawpa
28. 1119 Marion	Columbia, First	77. 705 Lafayette	Oxford, First
29. 1107 Hinds-Madison	Van Winkle	78. 701 Adams	Natchez, First
30. 1065 Union County	New Albany, First	79. 701 Lauderdale	State Boulevard
31. 1058 Rankin	Richland	80. 700 Jackson	East Moss Point
32. 1043 Adams	Parkway	81. 700 Montgomery	Winona, First
33. 1036 Riverside	Oakhurst	82. 683 Riverside	Clarksdale
34. 1028 Lee	West Jackson Street	83. 678 Alcorn	Corinth, First
35. 1026 Lowndes	Fairview	84. 675 Gulf Coast	Handsboro
36. 1022 Pike	McComb, First	85. 662 Leflore	North Greenwood
37. 1007 Leflore	Greenwood, First	86. 658 Hinds-Madison	Ridgeland
38. 1002 Lee	Calvary	87. 649 Gulf Coast	Broadmoor Drive
39. 996 Lee	Tupelo, First	88. 646 Monroe	Aberdeen, First
40. 992 Gulf Coast	Long Beach, First	89. 645 Jackson	Eastlawn
41. 977 Hinds-Madison	Daniel Memorial	90. 641 Tate	Senatobia, First
42. 973 Warren	Bowmar Avenue	91. 640 Marshall	Holly Springs, First
43. 955 Copiah	Crystal Springs, First	92. 629 Hinds-Madison	Byram
44. 947 Desoto	Carriage Hills	93. 629 Adams	Morgantown
45. 940 Panola	Batesville, First	94. 622 Hinds-Madison	Center Terrace
46. 933 Jones	Laurel, First	95. 622 Jackson	Gautier, First
47. 927 Attala	Kosciusko, First	96. 617 Jackson	Ingalls Avenue
48. 906 Jackson	Ocean Springs, First	97. 617 Newton	Newton, First
49. 893 Lafayette	North Oxford	98. 616 Jones	West Laurel
		99. 613 Copiah	Hazlehurst, First
		100. 610 Calhoun	Bruce, First

Home Board Places 1,400 Adult Mission Groups

The first year, none. Last year, 23. This year, about 1,400.

What? Adult mission groups placed by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

Add to that about 500 short-term Christian Service Corps workers, 35 long-term Christian Service Corps volunteers and the eight or so adults who accompanied each of this year's 450 mission youth groups—for a grand total of more than 5,000 adults out doing a week or more of volunteer missions this summer.

Mike Robertson of the Special Mission Ministries Department, whose responsibilities include coordinating and placing many home missions volunteers, said part of the increase may be because of Mission Service Corps, the SBC's attempt to place 5,000 one and two year mission volunteers at home and abroad by 1982.

"These volunteers find short-term missions a good alternative to Mission Service Corps," Robertson explained. He said some adults may need to maintain career affiliation, lack funding or just cannot give up a full year or two for missions, but can go on the field for several weeks each year.

Many adults write the Mission Service Corps office saying they have two weeks to give to home missions; those requests go to Robertson's office.

Robertson said Special Mission Ministries Department had "such great success with youth groups, but hadn't challenged adults as a group until recently. It's another new. It's been done occasionally here and there, but by chance."

"The emphasis on Mission Service Corps has kept interest levels up," Robertson said. "Also the VIM system has helped."

VIM stands for Volunteers in Missions, the data bank system of available volunteers ready to be matched by computer with needs across the convention. Fifty adult volunteers came from that data bank.

Others came from the 12,000 families involved in Campers on Mission, the organization for Christian who share their faith as they camp.

Not all the camping families take mission projects, said Robertson, but several hundred do.

Robertson said adult volunteers fit

no stereotype. One woman volunteer was 68 last year. Month after month she read mission publications with listings of "Volunteers Needed" but never saw anything she could do—until she

saw a request for a Vacation Bible School worker with migrants. "That I can do!" she wrote. She was among the nearly 5,000 adult volunteers.

Criswell Receives Israel Humanitarian Award

DALLAS (BP) — W. A. Criswell, pastor of the world's largest Southern Baptist Church, has become the only Christian clergyman ever to receive the Israel Humanitarian Award.

The Dallas office of the Development Corporation for Israel said that Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin selected Criswell to receive the "very prestigious, seldom presented award." Criswell is pastor of the 20,000-member First Baptist Church of Dallas.

"We cherish him as a friend," Uri Lubrani, Israeli ambassador to Iran, said of Criswell at a state of Israel tribute dinner Nov. 28 in Dallas.

Criswell received the award because of his efforts to "increase understanding and acceptance of Israel among the community of nations," according to Michael A. Robinson, representative for the Israel development

groups. Criswell, in accepting the award, said that "the land of Israel belongs to the children of Jacob forever. I cannot preach the Bible and hide my face from this everlasting covenant with the children of Jacob."

Evangelism Teams Go To France For "Impact '78"

Paris — Evangelism teams from the United States joined Baptist congregations in France and Sweden this month for more "partnership missions."

Leaders of "Impact '78," a nationwide effort in which almost all French evangelicals have co-operated, originally invited 60 partnership teams. However, the number was cut to around 20 and later to only twelve teams of reduced size due to a reported staff shakeup at the Dallas-based World Evangelism Foundation and impending merger of another lay evangelism group with WEF. A chartered aircraft brought the teams to France, then continued to Sweden for a campaign in which six teams took part, three of which had been slated for France in earlier planning.

Youth Evangelism Meet Coming

In the after-Christmas, before New Year's relaxing time, don't forget the 1978 Mississippi Baptist Youth Evangelism Conference. It takes place Dec. 28-29 at Jackson's Broadmoor Baptist Church, beginning with registration at 11 a.m., Dec. 28, concluding at 8:30 p.m., Dec. 29.

The program will include entertainment and seminars which will help high school students be better able to express their faith. Part of the program is specifically witness training. Other sessions provide inspiration and motivation.

For more information, contact the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board's Evangelism Department, Box 530, Jackson, Miss., 39205, or phone Roy Collum at 354-3704.



Wini Harris, volunteer teacher and Woodhaven Church member at Ocean Springs, said the class never knew they had been photographed. Other teachers not pictured include Gertrude Sharp also of Woodhaven church, and Lucille McCarty, of Griffin Street Baptist Church, Moss Point.



Fran Vandercook leads recitation in the conversational English class. She began the program when a Danish woman asked for help in making her grandchildren understand her.

International Cooking Is English Class Sideline

(Continued from page 1) days a week, Fran taught the woman English.

Others told others and the class grew. Fran took literacy leadership training at a special institute held at Samford University, led by the Home Mission Board and has trained all her teachers.

Fran says the literacy moniker is misleading. "These women are not illiterate," she says. They just can't speak English.

Some can speak better than others. Some have been in class for two years or more. One Vietnamese woman just started class and understands almost no English although she has been in the states four years.

A dozen students came from a list given Paul and Fran by the Pascagoula school system. The list was of children with foreign language speaking parents. The Vandercooks and volunteers visited 38 families on that list, garnering twelve.

At the beginning of each session, Fran gives a short devotional, reading a scripture passage and leading in prayer. Last year she had a short Bible study, but the class size, and its diversity negate that for now.

However, some missed the study. Two of the women asked Fran to begin

the Bible study. Thus began a Sunday morning international Bible study during the Sunday School hour at FBC in Pascagoula. Five of the women attend every week.

Some are, but most of the women in the conversational English class are not Christian. One asked if she had to be a Christian to join the class. No, Fran explained. A Muslim woman asked if some of the other girls became Christian after they came to the United States. Fran explained how Christianity works and that the English class was simply a manifestation of love that Christians have for others.

Mina French, from Seoul, Korea, has been in class for two years. But she claims she'll never know enough to "graduate." Fran doesn't graduate anyone. In fact, only a couple have dropped out after they'd been in class more than once.

Mina says she gets more than English lessons from the class—she finds there a circle of friends. "If I stay home, I'm lonely. Here I find friends," she says. She says she tries to be a

Happiness does not depend upon a full pocketbook, but upon a mind full of rich thoughts and a heart full of rich emotions.

Christian. She attends the Bible study and says she feels sort of "in between" in her faith.

During the interview, another woman overheard part of the conversation and asked Fran Vandercook what the word faith means. She had a chance to offer more of her witness to the young woman.

When Fran warned the class that a reporter would be coming and taking pictures, some appeared wary. Mina saw good in the prospect. "Maybe," she told her friends, "somebody will see the story and want to do this some place else."

Former Missionaries To Guyana

(Continued from page 1) been called. When the Jacobs could not go back to Guyana they transferred to Dominica but did not feel this was where the Lord wanted them to be. They resigned after two years and came to Clarke.

The Loves went to Guyana in 1966 and were two of six missionaries there at that time. Now they are the only missionaries still assigned to the country.

The Guyanese people are warm and

friendly, the Loves said. It is the only nation in South America where English is the spoken language. About half of the people are descendants of indentured laborers who came from India. About 35 per cent of the population is of African descent; and about 15 per cent are Amerindians, the only aboriginal people who are there. Then there are a few Chinese, Portuguese, and Europeans. They are open and responsive to teaching and training in Christian love, Mary indicated. "They are beautiful people."

"We are always welcome in their homes, and they always serve something to eat," she said. "They are very clean people."

Mary mentioned the joy of seeing young Christians develop. Every leader in the Baptist work is a first-generation Christian. Their growth is rapid, however. The pastor who replaced Charles when the Loves left on furlough could not even read and write when he accepted Christ. The new

Christians came from Anglican, Hindu, and Moslem backgrounds generally.

Even with their five children in Texas, the Loves have missed the close relationship of the Guyanese people. "We will miss them particularly at Christmas," Mary said. With all of the Loves' children in the States, the Guyanese people were their "children" at Christmas last year.

The Loves' oldest child, a daughter, is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, where the Loves live while on furlough. A boy and a girl are now students at H-SU, and a boy and a girl are in high school. There are no American high schools in the

Caribbean area, so the Loves' children have been away from home since they entered high school.

Georgetown, where the Loves live, is a compact, modern city of 150,000. It is called the garden city of the Caribbean. Flowers bloom the year around, and particularly noticeable are the flamboyant trees and the poinsettia trees.

In 1966 dentist David Tate of Irving, Texas, began a missions program there that has continued and grown through the years. Teams of three to five persons go to Guyana to help in physical and spiritual needs. In 1966 Tate once pulled 700 teeth in eight days.

Chartered Bus Will Go To National Meet For Secretaries

The first National Conference for Secretaries from Southern Baptist churches and denominational agencies is scheduled April 23-26, 1979, at the Sunday School Board in Nashville.

Approximately 1,000 secretaries are expected to attend, according to Lucy Hoskins, consultant in the board's church administration department and director of the conference.

Numerous special interest conferences will be offered during the week, including how to help the pastor and other staff members, how to improve the church letter and bulletin board and how to improve readability of the church paper. Two of the conferences will discuss grammar and personal appearance.

Special guests on the program will include actress Jeanette Clift George, star of "The Hidden Place"; David Matthews, pastor of First Church, Greenville, S. C.; The After Dinner Players, a Christian drama troupe from Houston, Texas; and several musicians.

Full or part-time and paid or volunteer secretaries for churches of all sizes are invited, plus secretaries for associations, state conventions, and SBC agencies.

Meetings of the National Conference for Church Secretaries will be held at the Sunday School Board and at First Baptist Church, which is three blocks from the board.

Chartered Bus There will be a bus chartered, leaving from Jackson about 7 a.m. April 23, making a few pick-up stops along the way, returning to Jackson about 10 p.m., April 26.

A block of 19 rooms is being reserved for Mississippians by Lucy Hoskins in the Sheraton Motel across the street from the Sunday School Board.

Approximate costs for the bus will be \$25. Other cost will be motel; conference fee of \$50.00 before January 1 or \$55.00 after Jan. 1; food (except for two meals included in the registration fee); and personal expenses.

Registration fees should be sent to Church Program Training Center, P. O. Box 24001, Nashville, TN 37203.

For further information contact Nashville or Leon Emery, Church Administration - Pastoral Ministries, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Box 530, Jackson 39205.

Reservations must be made with the Church Administration - Pastoral Ministries Department, Mississippi

Baptist Convention Board, for those intending to go on chartered bus and stay with Mississippi group at Sheraton Motel.

Jim Williams Will Teach Single Adults Leaders

Jim Williams, professor of adult education at Southwestern Seminary will be the main conference leader for a Single Adult Sunday School Leadership Conference at First Baptist Church, Clinton, January 26, 1979.

This leadership conference is designed to provide leadership for those who now lead, direct or teach Single Adults in Sunday School. It is also designed as basic information for those who anticipate beginning a ministry with Single Adults in their Sunday School organization.

The conference begins with a banquet at 6 p.m. Reservations for the banquet are being made through the Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Department, Box 530, Jackson, MS 39205.

Following the meal Williams will begin the conference around the tables. The conference will later divide into two groups—one for teachers led by Williams, and the other for directors and outreach leaders led by Bill McIlwain, Minister of Education at Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson.

Williams is professor of Adult Education at the Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas. He is a graduate of Southern Illinois University and Southwestern Seminary—with doctorates in religious education and in education.

He has served as minister of education in a number of churches. He is the author of GUIDING ADULTS, Convention Press, 1969.

The Missions Task Misplaced Love

By John Alexander, Director
Stewardship Department

I believe the single greatest liability among Christians today is a misplaced love. It is the seedbed of so many problems in the lives of God's people and the churches. Nothing so debilitates the witness and strength of the Christian fellowship as a misplaced love. Jesus said, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart—soul—and mind" (Matt. 22:37).

The Apostle John saw the devastating effect of a misplaced love when he wrote in I John 2, "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world... is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever."

The youngster who heard his pastor talking on Wednesday night about heaven and misunderstood him to say everyone was going to heaven, raised his hand to differ with his pastor. "I know one who isn't going," he retorted.

"Who is that?" the pastor asked. "My daddy," the youngster replied.

"Why?" the pastor asked.

"He can't leave the store," the youngster responded.

We Americans are probably the most idolatrous generation in history. We truly love and worship the things of the world. We tend to give God what love, service, and time that is left over after we have first loved and served the world.

John says, "... the world passeth away... but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever." For the Christian many things are in the will of God. Paul in writing to the church at Corinth says, "First they gave themselves to the Lord; and then, by God's will, they gave themselves to us as well... and so we want you to be generous also in this service of love (giving)" (II Cor. 8:5-7).

Our Lord talked about laying up treasure in heaven, for, said he, "Where your treasure is there will your heart be also."

Love of the world blocks Christian growth and development. Love of the world keeps church members from supporting their church with the Lord's tithe. Frankly, these folks so in love with the things of the world are trying to get more out of the world than there is in it! In the words of Jeremiah, "They are hewing themselves out cisterns, broken cisterns, that hold no water."

In the New Testament, Judas is a perfect example of a man in love with the world and the things of the world. It caused him to make a most tragic decision because when we love the world the love of the Father is not in us!

Missionary's Widow

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calls. Then through what she considers "an absolute miracle of God" she recovered and the school began.

"God had taken us so far, through so much, to get us to the point where we were last June that I can't believe it's really over," Mrs. Dunaway says. She remembers that she and her husband were called to foreign missions work when they met and married 33 years ago. Throughout those years she had seen God's leadership in their lives.

"Archie's funeral was a real victory service showing the power of God," she says. "God is at work and we'll see people coming to know Christ because of all that has happened."

And so Margaret Dunaway faces a new life with much that is familiar to her gone. But she is not forlorn; she smiles, confident in the final victory of Christ.

Evangelism Bible Meet

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— the Bible Conference and the Evangelism Conference. Because of the proximity of the two, they have been combined into this single meeting.

Featured speakers for the Bible study-related sessions and the music leaders will be announced later.

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Lepers Rejected By Family Find Acceptance From God

By Celeste Louchs

KALAUPAPA, Hawaii (BP) — Anita Una has a green thumb.

Her garden in Kalaupapa on the island of Molokai is a profusion of flowers: filling pots, cups, buckets, vases, spilling from a hundred soft drink cans.

Anita Una also has leprosy. Daily she soaks her hands in a solution and applies tape and gauze dressing. Then she puts on her gloves and goes outside to tend her garden.

Forty-one years ago, Una was brought to the island in keeping with the laws of mandatory isolation for lepers.

"When I came, I still had hopes of going home," she said, looking out of dark glasses which protect her sun-sensitive eyes. "It wasn't easy, but I finally accepted my situation as it was." She smooths a wrinkled bandage. "If my family doesn't want me, that's all right. This is my home."

Kalaupapa, isolated naturally by a background of sheer rock jutting skyward and ocean foaming along its ragged beach, has been home for lepers since 1866 when nine men and three women were separated from society and left on the island to fend for themselves. Since then, thousands of lepers have been banned to this island.

And today, although the remaining 128 lepers are bacteriologically negative — not contagious or requiring isolation — they choose to stay at Kalaupapa and live in voluntary confinement because the deterioration goes on.

Leprosy may result in skin eruptions, loss of hair, loss of eyesight and damage to nerves in the extremities. Those with no nerve sensations are further susceptible to infection from cuts and burns. Often they lose use of hands and/or feet.

The stigma attached to leprosy, the rejection, often cuts deeper than the physical pain. The village is accessible only by air or water. Some have had no visits from family in 30 years.

Said a young leprosy patient, "I was married on the outside, had six kids," before contracting the disease. After treatment she left Kalaupapa for home . . . to face rejection. "How do you think a mother feels when your own kids say they do not want you any more?"

She returned to Kalaupapa, "I find here the love I have lost."

A Church of Christ minister on the island said many lepers spend much time in Bible-reading and prayer. "The Bible, the Sunday school, the church is their social activity. They know the Bible pretty much book by book, cover to cover," he said.

"When you are isolated in a place like this," explained one resident, "you have no one to turn to but God. Where else do you get a wholesome feeling — but from God?"

The Salvation Army and Marine bands entertain the people once a year. The Lions Club makes some visits. And isolated church groups do ministry on the island. One of those is the Philathea (brotherly love) Sunday School class from Olivet Baptist Church on Oahu.

The teacher said the class has visited Kalaupapa twice, in 1974 and 1976. But it costs from \$35 to \$50 per person for air fare so several times each year the class mails greeting cards and packages to the island.

On Christmas, they mailed a popcorn popper and several pounds of popcorn to Kalaupapa. Other times they supplied tee shirts for the men and cosmetics for the women.

"We send them clothes and food and books," and other items "three to four times a year," the teacher said.

The visits, however, are the best. "We do them good and they do us good, too," she said. "They know we come because we care about them. We are a fresh wind from the outside."

"They seem so peaceful. I think the more problems a person has the more tolerant he is, and more accepting. It shows on their faces. I would like to go over there and spend several days — just soaking up the peaceful atmosphere."

But she lamented her church or several churches had not provided a regular ministry to the lepers. "It would be excellent if someone could coordinate the churches and be sure someone was there on a more regular basis."

For steady help, many residents of the village depend on God — and one another. Una's small garden plot produces everything from lettuce and parsley to pineapple, papaya and lemons.

Her friend raises hogs. Several are fishermen. On days off they frequently pool resources for a get-together on the beach, a potluck of roast pig and poi. "We have a little dinner, play the guitar — really whoop it up," one said.

However not all have adjusted so well. Some are bitter; some have built up a wall of unhappiness. For those who have adjusted, faith in God is important.

"We do not put much stock in this physical thing," explained one. "I'm not beautiful in man's sight. But I was made aware in life that the soul is the most important thing."

"We have advantages and disadvantages. You have to think about your family, your work. We think only about our duty to God."

"If I had to live my life over again," he said, pausing to reflect on his uncomplained allegiance to God, "maybe I'd choose this life again."

Bold Fishermen Will Stop Dabbling In Shallow Water

By Evie Landrum Goodrich

Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught (Luke 5:4).

While attending a mission class at the Southern Baptist Seminary taught by Dr. W. O. Carver, I heard him say that missions is not an afterthought of God but a forethought. Our interest in missions is the measure of our Christianity.

Let's visualize a scene by the seashore as Jesus talked to the disciples. These men had toiled all night and had caught nothing. We can imagine how discouraged and weary they were after having worked all night, but Jesus told them exactly what they should do. After they launched out and let down their nets, then the nets were filled with fish even to the extent that two ships began to sink. After the ship landed and the disciples talked to Jesus, He told Simon, "Fear not: from henceforth thou shalt catch men." The disciples forsook all and followed Him.

I remember a very interesting fishing trip with my husband and Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Hodge. We went out in a boat about 4 o'clock in the morning. Our catch for the few hours was over 100 fish. We didn't have nets but lines

and hooks, and I kept A. L. busy baiting my hook. After I had caught 31 fish I was ready to quit.

I learned a lesson from that eventful morning. The first thing, we had to go at the right time. Then we had to have the right bait, and the patience to stay with it. What a difference it makes to fishermen to quit dabbling in shallow waters and get out where the fish are!

A speaker at the Southern Baptist Convention made us realize how white the world grows more sinful each day. More than 1300 personal requests have come this year from fields overseas.

One-half of the world's people will go to bed hungry tonight and three-fourths of the people in the world do not know Christ as Savior.

We hear much about bold missions, and if ever it's time to launch out, it is now.

London (RNS) — Plans are developing to establish a radio ministry of the African Churches to replace Radio Voice of the Gospel (RVGO), which was nationalized by the Ethiopian Government in March 1977.

Cooperative Program 14.57 Percent Ahead

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — Strong giving in November, the second month of the 1978-79 fiscal year, increased contributions to the Southern Baptist Convention's national Cooperative Program budget to \$9,512,166, or 14.57 percent ahead of the first two months of 1977-78.

Giving in November itself amounted to \$4,696,217 — an 18.7 percent jump over the same month in 1977.

"The 18.7 percent increase in November reflects a continued concern for Bold Mission Thrust" (the SBC plan to proclaim Christ to the world in this century), said Porter W. Routh, executive secretary-treasurer of the SBC Executive Committee.

"If the 14.57 percent increase for the first two months continues, we will be able to meet the basic operating and capital funds goal for 1978-79," Routh said.

The 1978-79 calls for a basic operating

budget of \$62 million to fund worldwide Southern Baptist causes, with an additional \$2 million goal for capital needs of SBC agencies. The total 1978-79 budget — \$75 million — reflects an additional \$11 million goal for Bold Mission Thrust challenge funds.

Southern Baptists were also running ahead on designated gifts above the Cooperative Program figure.

Designated contributions in November totaled \$460,716, or 10.59 percent ahead of last November. For the year to date, Southern Baptists have designated \$1,151,265 to SBC causes, a 37.39 percent increase over the first two months of last year.

Total contributions, including Cooperative Program funds and designated gifts, amount to 10,663,432 for the year to date. That's a 16.17 percent increase over last year.

Village's New Social Case Worker Will Have Office In Independence

Mrs. Gary ("Becky") Rhodes of Senatobia has joined the staff of The Baptist Children's Village as a social case worker, with offices on the Village's Farrow Manor Campus, located near Independence, in Tate County.

In announcing the addition of Mrs. Rhodes to the social case work staff of the Mississippi Baptist child care agency, Mrs. Claire Nowlin, Director

of the Village's Department of Social Service, explained that, effective immediately, Mrs. Rhodes is assuming all social casework for Village boys and girls in placement both on the Farrow Manor Campus and in the Village's satellite home in New Albany.

Mrs. Nowlin stated that in addition, Mrs. Rhodes would service all Children's Village social casework needs pertaining to admission to and dismissal from custody in every Village installation, Village foster homes and Village counseling services in the Northern tier counties in Mississippi.

Mrs. Rhodes' office will be located on the Farrow Manor Campus where she may be contacted at Box 168, Independence, Mississippi, 38638 or by telephoning Independence 233-2155. She is a graduate of Blue Mountain College, with a Major in Psychology, and for six years she was employed as a child welfare worker with the Department of Public Welfare in Tate County, where she is well-known and widely respected in court and professional circles as a social worker with training and experience in child care.

Her husband, Gary Rhodes is self-employed in the construction business in Senatobia, where he and Mrs. Rhodes, who are the parents of two children, are active members of First Baptist Church.

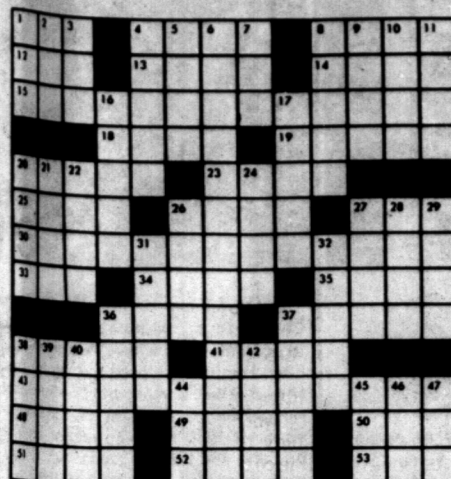
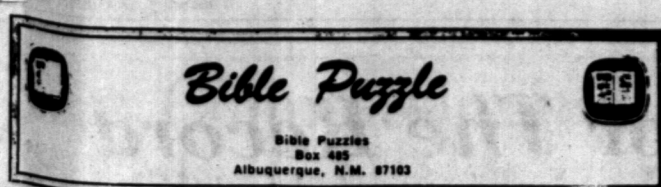
Paul N. Nunnery, executive director

of The Baptist Children's Village released the announcement and stated:

"Baptist child care in Mississippi continues to be blessed by the quality of staff members serving at The Children's Village. We are pleased and grateful to welcome Becky Rhodes to our committed group of child care workers. The Village is most fortunate to secure a social caseworker whose expertise and experience with the neglected and dependent child is already recognized in Northern Mississippi and whose qualities and abilities as a compassionate, Christian child care worker are so widely respected in the immediate area of our Farrow Manor Campus."

"The appointment of Mrs. Rhodes as a resident social caseworker, based in Tate County, will not only refine our ministry to children under care on the Farrow Manor Campus and in New Albany, but will insure families in need of Village service in North Mississippi more rapid and efficient attention to those needs."

The Baptist Children's Village, the official child care agency of Mississippi Baptist Convention, operates an extensive campus near Jackson, the Farrow Manor Campus in Tate County, a group care or "satellite" home in New Albany, and a system of Village-supervised foster homes located in various areas throughout the state.



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- 1 Fairy tale character
- 2 Man (Gen. 11:18)
- 3 Homily: abbr.
- 4 Fish
- 5 Dangerous word (Matt. 5:22)
- 6 He sent them away (Matt. 14:22; 2 words)
- 7 — Paulo
- 8 European city
- 9 Among
- 10 Fen
- 11 Brother of Mamre (Gen. 14:13)
- 16 Knob and notch in ceramics
- 17 "and as a tottering" (Psa. 62)
- 20 North African rulers
- 21 Scope
- 22 Monotonous routines
- 24 Irish sea god: poss.
- 26 — of roses: var.
- 27 Arab garments
- 28 "or — be absent" (Phil. 1)
- 29 Soaks
- 31 Place (Josh. 19:33)
- 32 Elk
- 36 It was not com-mo-dious (Acts 27:12)
- 37 Month (Neh. 2:1)
- 38 Asian screw pine
- 39 Party to
- 40 City in western USA
- 42 European capital
- 44 56 in Roma
- 45 Unit of electricity
- 46 Jesus Christ (2 John 3)
- 47 Printer's measures

ACROSS

- 1 He was wicked (Gen. 38:7; poss.)
- 4 Containers: abbr.
- 8 Muttonfish
- 12 Famous general
- 13 Sunk fence
- 14 Portent
- 15 "into a —" (Matt. 13)
- 18 First man (1 Cor. 15:45)
- 19 Duck
- 20 Counted as stubble (Job 41:22)
- 23 Arm bone
- 25 Cordage fiber
- 26 Fish sauce
- 27 Eastern Church veil
- 30 " — at his word" (Isa. 66)

- 33 Sodium aluminum sulfate: abbr.
- 34 Raised platform
- 35 Kiln
- 36 Animal (Psa. 42:1)
- 37 " — have they" (Psa. 115)
- 38 King of Tyre (1 Chron. 14:1)
- 41 Hur's son (1 Chron. 2:26; poss.)
- 43 " — say they" (Psa. 41)
- 48 Wolf, of a sort
- 49 Plain
- 50 Day of the week: abbr.
- 51 Presently, old time
- 52 "Israel — empty vine" (Hos. 10)
- 53 Positions: abbr.

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(Answers on P. 7)

Moss Point Claims Two State College Student Body Presidents

By Anne McWilliams

The president of the student body at William Carey College and the president of the student body at Mississippi College are both from Moss Point.

Andy Taggart at MC is planning to be a pastor. Steve Perry at Carey is preparing to be a doctor. The two have been friends since junior high days when Steve's father, Bobby Perry, accepted the pastorate of First Baptist Church, Moss Point, and his family moved to that city.

In church Steve and Andy were often together in the choir, on mission trips, and in other activities.

In high school they played basketball and football together. Steve offers much credit to their high school football coach, Lee Owens, for helping develop their spiritual growth and in their emergence as responsible citizens.

Andy agrees, "A time that molded both of us into whatever we are now was the time we both played in football games in high school — especially the devotional times the coach led before the games."

He said that some of their friends accepted Christ along about that time. He continued, "The coach did not talk to us of Christianity or religion, but showed us some of life's great principles and rules."

Leadership roles are not new to either Steve or Andy. At Moss Point High, Class of 1975, Andy was president of the student body and Steve was president of the senior class.

Andy was born in California, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Taggart. Sr. This fall he preached in a weekend revival at Hebron Church, Meridian, and has filled other preaching engagements.

Before he was licensed to preach at Moss Point in 1976 he had been feeling for some time that the Lord wanted him to be a preacher.

"John Buchanan, Alabama representative, has had a lot of influence on my thinking," Andy said. Perhaps that accounts for his interest in politics and debating and for the fact that he was chairman of the Students for Cochran Committee at the college.

Steve said, "If you want to pinpoint who has had the most influence on my life, I would have to say my parents." Born in Tennessee, he has applied to enter University Medical School in Jackson, and possibly will go into general practice, though he has not yet closed the door to the idea of specialization.

"Many people encouraged me to go into medicine," he said, "but I did not really want to — I thought I might major in biology — until I felt that God was calling me to be a Christian doctor."

Mississippi College offered him an athletic scholarship, as did Carey, but he accepted the latter "because my dad went there and also I knew many others there from the Coast, and I didn't know anyone at MC. At the time I chose a college I thought Andy was going to Mississippi State."

However, Andy was much interested when he heard Van Dyke Quick speak at Moss Point. After prayer on the matter, he made application to Mississippi College. He said he's been very happy there — "You don't have to go out looking for friends. MC is a place where the students are people and not computer numbers to the faculty. The faculty as well as the students are your friends. To me, that's education."

"Friendliness of people" is what

Steve has liked best about William Carey College, too. He is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Since Moss Point is not too far from Hattiesburg he has kept his church home there. Andy is active in First Church, Jackson.

When the president of the student body at Mississippi College and the president of the student body at William Carey College go home for Christmas it will be to the same city — Moss Point.



Steve Perry, left, is student body president at William Carey and Andy Taggart is student body president at Mississippi College. Both are from Moss Point.

TV Special Will Describe Christmas In 2010 A.D.

NEW YORK (RNS) — A futuristic Christmas in the year 2010, when celebrating the birth of Jesus is forbidden and people worship "conspicuous consumption," will be described in a Mac Davis Christmas television special on the NBC network, Dec. 19.

"A Mac Davis Special: Christmas Odyssey 2010," will describe a society which celebrates "Commerce Day" instead of Christmas Day on Dec. 25 where the people have been brainwashed to forget even the name of Christ.

In the year 2010 it is illegal to celebrate the birth of Christ. Instead, people celebrate the birth of Conspicuous Consumption through an edict of the Interplanetary Corporate Forces," said Mac Davis in an interview.

Mr. Davis said Christmas continues to become more and more commercialized with no end in sight. He said Christmas Odyssey 2010 is his imaginative response to a question on the minds of many people: "What would Christmas really be like with Christ completely removed from the holiday?"

Instead of the traditional holiday variety show, Mac Davis' NBC holiday special this year will be set in a future world preparing to celebrate Commerce Day.

The state has brainwashed people

from spiritual memories and synthesized holiday music bearing a faint resemblance to our Christmas carols now heard. Robot assembly-line workers fashion intergalactical weapons as toys for children. Push-button kitchens produce a holiday meal of turkey and trimmings cap-suled into tiny pills.

Commerce Day trees festooned with dollar bills, with a blinking dollar sign at the top, decorate homes and other places.

"Suddenly a stranger shows up," Mac Davis said. "He remains nameless, faceless, and is visible to TV viewers only as a 'Light Force.'"

The Light Force talks to children, introduces them to the song, "Silent Night" and tells them the story of the birth of Jesus the Christ. The children tell their parents, who are at first skeptical. But gradually a memory is evoked and they too begin to remember Christmas.

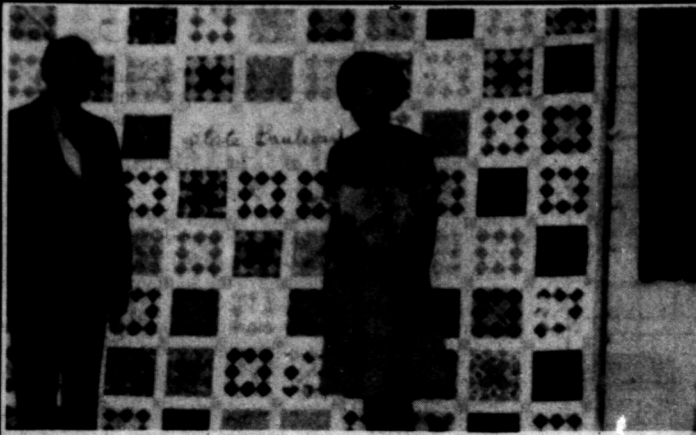
Mac Davis said the Christmas Odyssey has a happy ending and "all is well." Christmas is celebrated again and the people sing carols including "O Holy Night."

Mr. Davis, a United Presbyterian, said he hoped his TV special will make at least some dent in stopping the commercialization of Christmas which gets worse every year.



Becky Rhodes is on the left; Claire Nowlin, director of social services is standing, and Alabel Liles, social case worker, is on the right. Mrs. Nowlin and Mrs. Liles have been travelling from Jackson to Tate County and New Albany to service social casework for the boys and girls there. They will now have more time to devote to children on the Jackson campus.

Just For The Record



A KING-SIZE FRIENDSHIP QUILT was presented to W. A. ROBINSON, pastor of State Boulevard Church, Meridian, and Mrs. Robinson, above, by women of the church at an Open House given in honor of his birthday. Open House was held in the Family Life Center of the church on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Mary Walker was at the guest register. Mrs. Malyn Speed and other ladies of the church served refreshments. The quilt was displayed in the church library during the following week.

McHenry is painting its church building. Clyde Garrison was licensed to the gospel ministry on Oct. 29.

Pass Road Gulfport, is redoing its sanctuary. They have painted the walls and installed new chandeliers. Ordination service for Bobby McClellan was held Nov. 5.

Shifalo Memorial Gulf Coast) has called Terrel Blair as pastor. He is a student at New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

Wiggins had a church-wide campout at Flint Creek. The weekly ministry at the jail is continuing to be led by layman from the church.

Gulfport, First has voted to sponsor the Pops Ferry Mission. They have called Wayne Wilson as Minister of Education.

Ebenezer Church in Holmes County will be observing its 100th anniversary next June. All former pastors and members are urged to contact pastor Billy Rowzee for participation in the activities.

Rowzee may be reached at 1554 Dianne Dr., Jackson, Miss., 39204, or phone 372-9182.

Ridgecrest Church, Hattiesburg, will display a live nativity scene at the church Dec. 20, 21, and 22, from 6 to 9 each night, and Sunday, Dec. 24, from 6 to 8 p.m. Odell Tebo, pastor, invites the public to come by to view the scene.



On November 12, the New Prospect Church, Rt. 1, Iuka, held a ground breaking ceremony for a new pastorial. Mrs. Pearl Bonds is pictured turning the first shovel of dirt. She and her late husband, Reggie Bonds, gave the church several acres of land for the present church building and the new pastorial. Standing behind Mrs. Bonds is the pastor, J. A. Blunt, and the Building Committee.



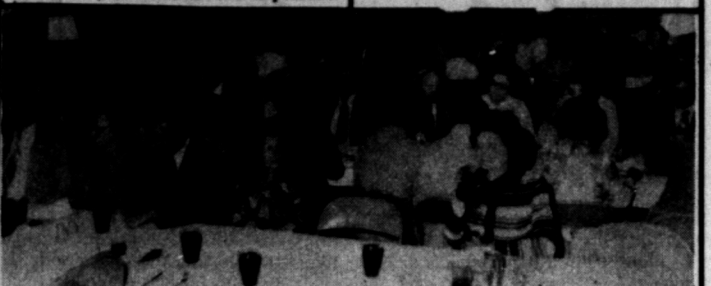
ECRU CHURCH CROWNED five Acteen Queens in a recent recognition service: Ann Willis, Lisa Browning, Betsy Faulkner, Rhonda Pannell, and Alison Holcomb. Acteen leaders are Mrs. Jannie Hamilton and Mrs. Phyllis Farris. Mrs. Mabel McGee, associational director of Baptist Women in Pontotoc County, crowned the Queens. Charles Stubblefield is pastor.



Ingomar Baptist Church, New Albany, recently presented a plaque of appreciation to Mrs. M. L. Tutor who has served as WMU director for many years. She has also been a leader in associational, district, and state WMU activities. Under her capable leadership, Ingomar Baptist Church has grown tremendously in mission awareness. In fact, Cooperative Program gifts to world mission causes has increased 94% during the past five years. Pastor Frank Lay (pictured) attributes much of the growth in mission giving to the outstanding leadership of Mrs. Tutor. In addition to the Plaque, Mrs. Tutor was also presented a book entitled "My Utmost for His Highest" by Oswald Chambers.

Liberty Church, Flowood, will present a Christmas cantata, "Carol of Christmas" by John Peterson, on Sunday, Dec. 17, at 5:30 in the afternoon. Larry Richardson will direct the choir. Mrs. Betty Johnson is organist and Mrs. Mary Jon Westbrook is pianist.

Long Beach First has put a new roof on its educational building. The Keen-Agers took a trip to Gatlinburg, TN. The church had a "Music Day" with a dinner on the ground and a choral concert in the afternoon.



DEACONS, PASTORS, AND THEIR WIVES from 19 churches in Tate County met for a Deacons' Training Session at the Family Life Center, First Church, Senatobia, Nov. 9. After the meal, the 147 people went to different conferences. Carl Nelson, pastor of Pelahatchie Church, led the men in a session dealing with the responsibility of the deacon to the church families. Mrs. Nelson, the author of ON BEING A DEACON'S WIFE, reviewed the book.



An installation service for new deacons was held recently at Belle Fountain Baptist Church in Ocean Springs, Miss. Front row left to right are Wesley Petrin, Lawrence Doffing, Earl Wood, and Kevin Stone. These men were ordained to the ministry at this service. Back row left to right are Steve Dyess, chairman of deacons, and Brad Matney, Arnold Massey, Edward Harvey, and Billy Bass. The latter four men, previously ordained, were installed as active deacons. The active deacons are involved in the deacon family ministries program. C. H. Stone Jr. is pastor.

How To Live To 100?

Pay The Preacher!

By Anne McWilliams

How did B. W. Howell live to be 100? "Because I always paid the preacher." That's what he claims.

He joined the Forty-First Avenue Baptist Church (now Calvary) in Meridian in the 1890's and has been a faithful member and tither there ever since. For more than 80 years he attended Sunday School and was for several years treasurer of his class.

Until this year he was in excellent health, but a stroke last winter took away his mobility. Now he lives at the Queen City Nursing Home in Meridian, where he passed the 100-year milestone on Oct. 27. Because of his extreme deafness, it's a bit difficult for him to talk with his visitors, but he says he's still happy to have them come by.

His daughter, Mrs. Alice Howell Alawine of Meridian, a retired nurse, suggested some other reasons for her father's longevity. "He has had no bad habits in eating and drinking. He never smoked or drank alcohol. He rarely eats sweets and has never wanted to eat between meals."

After Howell's wife died in 1961, Howell lived with this daughter.

"He always got his rest," she said. "He went to bed at 9 o'clock every night no matter who our company happened to be." And he wanted his meals to be served at exactly the same time every day — supper always at 5.

She says he is the very calm and patient type. He never curses and is seldom angry. "But he can be very stubborn!"

A birthday party was given for him at the nursing home on Oct. 27, and a birthday card arrived from the White House, signed by President Jimmie Carter. Calvary Church (Otis Seal, pastor) devoted the front page of its weekly bulletin, "The Herald" to its oldest member.

Howell says his favorite song is "Life's Railway to Heaven." And he has spent a lot of his life traveling on railroads, as a boiler inspector.

In 1953 at the age of 75 he retired from the Gulf, Mobile, and Ohio with over 55 years of continuous service.

Mrs. Alawine remembers that one time her father got hurt while at work

— he hit his hand with a hammer. When a railroad representative came to his house to give him a workman's compensation check, he didn't want to take it.

"No," he told the man, "the railroad doesn't owe me any money. It was my own fault I got hurt."

The man said it was the first time he'd ever found anyone who wanted to refuse money.

Burnell W. Howell was born in Waynesboro, Miss. (where his father was a merchant) on Oct. 27, 1878. As a young man in his late teens he moved to Meridian and soon began work for the railroad. His first car was a touring type Studebaker.

In Meridian he became a Christian and was baptized at 41st Avenue Church. In Meridian he married Nannie Gallagher in 1904. They celebrated 57 wedding anniversaries before her death. They had four children: Franel Howell Webber; Burnell W. Howell, Jr.; Mary Howell Ainsworth, and Alice Howell Alawine. He now has seven grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and 14 great, great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Alawine, the only one of his children still living, is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Meridian, as was her mother. She said that she often visited Calvary Church with her father, and she goes daily to spend time with him at the nursing home.

After retirement he spent long hours watching television — especially baseball and football games, sometimes eating his meals in front of the TV — and is still a loyal fan of the New Orleans Saints.

When troubles of any kind came to Howell or his children, Mrs. Alawine remembers he would quote the bit of wisdom: "Sweet are the uses of adversity which, like the toad, ugly and venomous, wears yet a precious jewel in its head." The thought evidently has sustained him for his first 100 years.

It is a great misfortune neither to have enough wit to talk well nor enough judgment to be silent. — La Bruyere



B. W. Howell and Alice Alawine.

Mama, Who Is Lottie Moon?

By Ruby K. Poole, Macon, MS.

Do you remember the year, Brad, when you were only seven? We were on our way home from church, and you had heard so much about Lottie Moon that I guess your young mind was a little curious to know who she was. Perhaps you thought she was a needy person the church wanted to help. But you couldn't hold your curiosity any longer, and you asked, "Mama, who is Lottie Moon?"

Briefly I told you that she had been a missionary to China for forty years. She had become very ill, and was being brought back to the States on a ship when she died. That satisfied you until Wednesday night at prayer meeting.

The WMU put on a drama to promote the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering once again. A woman came on stage with an old bonnet and shawl on and said, "I'm Lottie Moon." You reacted

immediately, tapping me on the shoulder and whispering, "I thought you told me she was dead." Of course, I chuckled, but knew I had to tell you more.

As the drama went on, I felt something of the stirring of the movement for missions; how she urged Southern Baptist women to do something. She suggested a week in December for special prayer and offerings which continues today.

So, Brad, to finish answering

your question, on Christmas Eve in Kobe, Japan, while the ship rode anchor, Miss Moon did die. But the memory of such a life never ends as long as the spirit of missions stays alive, as long as the work in which she believed so earnestly continues in any part of the world.

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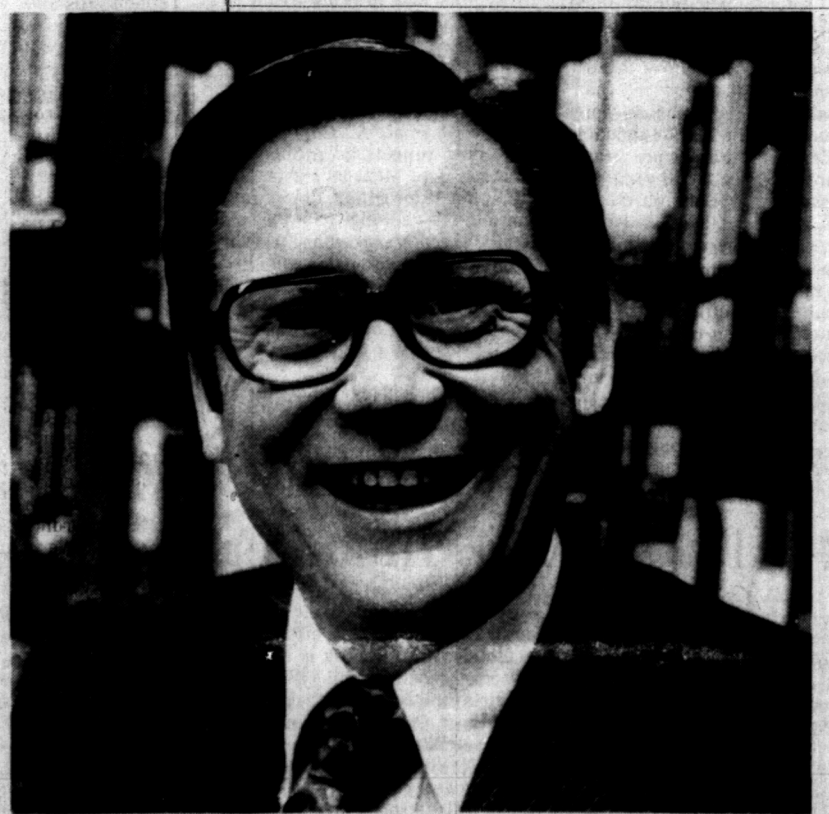
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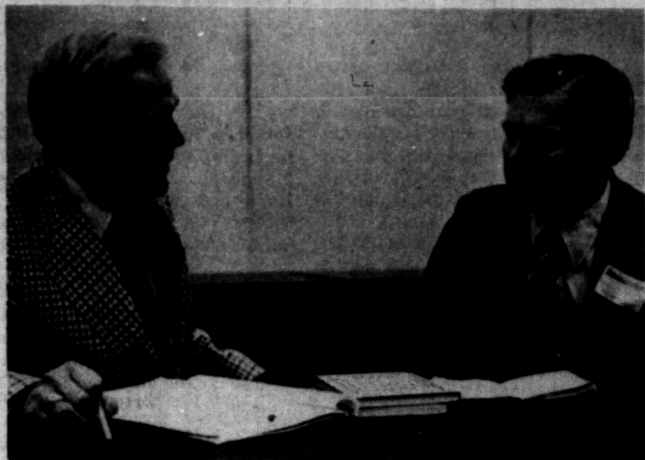
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In Names The News



W. R. Robinson (right), pastor of State Boulevard Church, Meridian, attended a conference earlier this month at the Sunday School Board in Nashville to study creative stress management and learn how to minister to persons experiencing stress. With Robinson is Fred McGehee, consultant in the board's church administration department and director of the stress conference.



Robin H. Mathis (center), trustee, Baptist Radio and Television Commission and manager, WCPC-AM-FM, Houston, Miss. and Frank Pollard (right), pastor, First Church, Jackson, and host for "The Baptist Hour," produced by Commission for the denomination, discuss future plans with Paul M. Stevens, president. — (Radio-TV Commission Photo)



In the annual supper meeting during the Mississippi Baptist Convention, members of the Clarke College Alumni Association elected officers to coordinate the overall activities of the national organization for 1979. Danny Watts, pastor of Raymond Road Baptist Church, Jackson, was elected president, with Ralph Culp of Shiloh Baptist Church, Hamilton, Alabama, chosen to serve as vice-president. Culp has served as the Alabama representative on the Clarke Annual Fund Drive and has been instrumental in organizing two area alumni chapters in Alabama. Re-elected

D. S. Spurgeon of South India was guest speaker at Calvary Church, Meridian, at Thanksgiving time. The pastor, Otis Seal, in the past preached in a revival in India which Spurgeon planned, promoted, and served as interpreter. It began with an attendance of 5,000 and ended with more than 35,000 in attendance with over 2,000 registered professions of faith in Christ. Spurgeon's wife, educated in England, is superintendent of a blind children's orphanage.

Eddie Evans of the West Calvary Church in Union, lost his house and automobile in a fire that occurred on Wednesday evening of Nov. 29. Evans is a ministerial student at Clarke College and has four children.

December 1 marked the fourth anniversary for Dr. W. Levon Moore as director of missions for the Attala Baptist Association.

Billy and Sandra Montgomery, missionaries to Ghana, are in the States on furlough. Before appointment in 1975, he was minister of youth and education at First Church, Gautier. Their address is 1404 Mossycup Lane, Livingston, Tex. 77351 (phone 713-327-5083).

Mrs. Barbara Ann Phlegar, missionary to Thailand, will speak at the Van Winkle Baptist Church 11 o'clock worship service, Sunday, Dec. 10. The Phlegars will be returning to Thailand in January, 1979.

Dann Stampley, missionary to Ghana, has arrived in the States for furlough (address: 220 Edgewood Terrace, Jackson, Miss. 39205). She was born and grew up near Benton, Miss.

as secretary was Mrs. Evelyn Carpenter Williams of Hickory. Mrs. Williams is a member of the Clarke staff serving as secretary in admissions and financial aid. In presiding at the meeting, Rev. Jimmy Walker, pastor of Springdale Baptist Church, Ripley, and 1978 vice president, requested prayer for alumni president Rev. Henry Adams, Calvary Baptist Church, Newton, who recently suffered a heart attack. Pictured left to right are Evelyn C. Williams; A. C. Johnson, alumni director; and Danny Watts.

M. C. Johnson, director of missions, Holmes-Leflore Association, will teach the book of Mark in January to the McBee Church.

Donald M. Anthony, 48, director of the Texas Baptist Christian Education Coordinating Board, died in Dallas Nov. 24, following an illness of several months. Funeral services were in Hillcrest Baptist Church, Dallas, and burial was in Laurel Land Memorial Park. Anthony's death followed by almost four months that of his associate, Chester L. (Chet) Reames, director of the division of student work, who was killed in an automobile accident in Dallas.

Jerry Lundy has resigned the pastorate of Fellowship Church in Neshoba County and is available for supply, interim pastorate, or pastorate. Lundy is a native of Newton County and lived in Jackson before answering the call to preach and entering Clarke College. He is a graduate of Clarke and his wife Gloria is presently a student there. He can be reached at 656-4491, Philadelphia.

Pastor and Mrs. Tony Black of Sand Hill Church (Attala) are the parents of a baby daughter, Misty Sharie, born on November 1.

Billy Simmons, associate professor of New Testament and Greek at New Orleans Seminary, will teach the January Bible Study at Macedonia Church, Tupelo, Dec. 14-17. Study sessions will be 7-9 p.m. each evening, and on Sunday at 11 a.m. service. Robert Armstrong is pastor of Macedonia.



Hermon Dean, Village Trustee, Dies At Age 94

Baptist attorney Hermon Dean, oldest practicing attorney in Mississippi at 94, died Dec. 2 at his home in Canton. He was a member of First Baptist Church of that city. He was buried in Bethesda Cemetery in Senatobia.

Dean served for many years as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Children's Village. Just a few weeks ago one of the cottages at the Village's Tate County campus, Farrow Manor, was named in his honor.

Two of his survivors are a son, Charles, of Jackson and a grandson, Richard, who is the architect for the development of Central Hills Baptist Retreat at Kosciusko.

Hyles Will Lead Session At Red Banks

Dave Hyles, associate pastor, First Church, Hammond, Ind., will hold a two-day Bible conference at Carey Chapel Church, Red Banks, on Dec. 18 and 19 with an all day session on the 19th.

Hyles' church has the largest Sunday School attendance in the world! He directs the Youth Department which has an average attendance of 3,000 in Sunday School weekly.

He will speak at 7:30 each night, Tuesday morning, Dec. 19, he will speak at 9:30 to all pastors and youth workers and again at 11 a.m. to entire group.

Other guest speakers on Tuesday, Dec. 19, will be: Jimmy Irvin, at 2 p.m., who is associate pastor, Broadway Church, Memphis. (Broadway is Tennessee's fastest growing Sunday School and has the largest bus ministry in the SBC); Wayne Webb, at 3:30 p.m., who is pastor of the Macon Road Church, Memphis, which has an enrollment of 575 with a recent attendance of 973.

Meals will be provided at the church on Tuesday, Dec. 19, by reservation only. Write the church at Rt. 1, Box 252, Red Banks, Ms. 38661, or call (601) 851-7543 for reservations.

Don Grimmer is the Carey Chapel pastor.

Robinson Street

To Present Concert, And "His Story"

Donald (Don) Moore, evangelistic music minister, and former minister of music at Robinson Street Church, Jackson, will give a concert of sacred music in the morning worship service, Dec. 17, at 11.

In the evening service, 7 p.m., Robert Wall, interim pastor will present "His Story," the life and ministry of Jesus, as photographed in the Holy Land by Wall. This is a multi-media presentation with three large screens and seven projectors. Music plays an important role in it.

A church fellowship will be given after the evening service.

Providence (Gulf Coast) Sells Property For \$40,000

The Providence Church, Gulf Coast, that disbanded November 9, 1977, has sold the church property to the Washington Chapel, CME, Church. The property which included the building and grounds sold for \$40,000.

The price was considered a "steal" but according to trustee Willie McCollough, "We are glad to let them have it because they will be able to reach their own people."

These funds have been given to the Gulf Coast Baptist Foundation. The church has requested that these funds be invested and the interest earned be used in new mission work. The association's Foundation Committee is responsible for the investment and dis-

Tharpe Named WMU Editorial Director

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (BP) — Gertrude A. Tharpe, former Southern Baptist missionary to Hong Kong and Hawaii, has been named director of the editorial department of Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

She comes to WMU from the University of Alabama School of Medicine, where she has served as associate director of admissions.

As editorial department director, Dr. Tharpe will oversee the production of WMU's nine English periodicals and supplementary publications for WMU organizations in Southern Baptist churches. She will also lead in planning curriculum for WMU age-level organizations.

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First Commissioning Service For Chaplains Held In Georgia

CANTON, Ga. — The first public commissioning service for chaplains in Southern Baptist history was held at First Baptist Church of Canton, Ga., in October.

Carl Hart, director of the Home Mission Board Chaplaincy Division, said the 30 chaplains commissioned represent some 1,497 chaplains "serving out there somewhere on home and foreign soil."

Hart called chaplains "the only people who can be foreign missionaries and home missionaries too."

Rex Whiddon, Canton First Baptist pastor, called it a "privilege to participate in a historical first." Whiddon's church was chosen as the commissioning site because he has served for three years as chairman of the chaplaincy committee, the committee of the HMB board of directors which endorses about 245 persons as Southern Baptist chaplains each year.

"These chaplains are not being just endorsed as chaplains, but commissioned as missionaries — an extension of our churches," Whiddon said. "We commission these men and their families to serve as our missionaries in their fields of service."

Officially, only one of the 30 chap-

lains is a home missionary, appointed and paid by the Home Mission Board: Robert Duvall, chaplain at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. All other chaplains are paid by the organizations for which they work.

The chaplains commissioned in Canton include 10 institutional chaplains, 10 hospital chaplains, 4 U. S. Army chaplains, 3 U. S. Navy chaplains and 3 U. S. Air Force chaplains.

Translation Of New Testament Underway For Minor Languages

Within the next two years some 70 groups of people who live in remote areas and speak little-known languages will be able to read the New Testament in their own language.

The translations are being made by Wycliffe Bible Translators and will be published by the World Home Bible League in cooperation with the New York Bible Society, International. Wycliffe's printing arts coordinator, Ralph Todd reports that additional translations are also in preparation.

The new translations are in languages such as: Mopaw Maya in Guatemala; Amuesha in Peru; and Tairora in Papua, New Guinea. These languages are spoken by some 4,000-

5,000 people in these areas.

The World Home Bible League, founded in 1938, distributes Bibles, Bible portions, and Bible studies throughout the world, chiefly through churches of all denominations. The organization is supported by friends in the United States and Canada.

New York (RNS) — The United Presbyterian General Assembly Mission Council has approved the denomination's participation in consumer boycotts and selective patronage. The action came as the result of an attempt last May to rescind the Council's decision not to meet in states which have not ratified the Equal Rights Amendment.

Staff Changes

Dale Easley is the new pastor of First Church, Abbeville. He and his wife, Doug, and their three girls moved from New Hope Church, Webster County.

Thomas Woodard, Jr. has accepted a call to join the staff of First Church, Magee, as minister of education and youth. A native of Sardis, he is a graduate of University of Mississippi and New Orleans Seminary. He will move on the field in January. Oliver Ladnier is pastor.

Bay Vista, Gulf Coast, has called Dale Thompson as minister of music and youth. He and his wife, Charlotte

have a daughter Rachel, 4. He is from Brittan, Oklahoma.

Allen Tyner has been extended a call by South Side Church, Meridian to serve as minister of music and activities. Tyner will start his ministry there on Jan. 1. John Hopper is pastor.

Bruce Cappleman has been called as pastor of First Church, Houlika. He goes from Broadmoor Church, Gulfport. He has also served as pastor of Pleasant Hill Church, Ashland, and Palmer Church, Ripley. He is a graduate of Blue Mountain College and will receive the Master of Divinity degree from New Orleans Seminary this month. He and his wife, the former Martha Childers, are natives of Ripley; they have two children.

Missionaries On Furlough

Ten missionaries from six countries are on furlough in Mississippi now. Three others from two countries will arrive within the next few days.

Those already here are Donald and Barbara Anne Phlegar, Thailand, Box 573, Clinton; Parkes and Martha Ellen Marler, Guam, 3331 Old Canton Road, Jackson; Mary Dann Stampley, Ghana; John and Nell Smith, Indonesia; Antonina Canzonieri, Bahamas, 5939 Clinton Blvd., Jackson; and Winfield and Laverne Applewhite, Indonesia.

Those to arrive soon are Larry and Cheryl Cox, Ivory Coast, and Emogene Harris, Nigeria.

Happiness grows out of harmonious relationships with others, based on attitudes of good will, tolerance, understanding and love.

Seminary Buys Housing

NEW ORLEANS (BP) — Housing problems have been eased somewhat at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary with the purchase of a 64-unit apartment complex near the seminary campus.

The purchase marked the end of a lengthy search by seminary administrators and trustees to find solutions to housing problems brought on by the increasing enrollment at the seminary, which now has 1,145 students.

The complex, purchased for \$1.285 million from four New Orleans businessmen, has 52 two-bedroom apartments and 12 one-bedroom units, which will rent for \$210 and \$185 respectively. As with campus housing, the occupant will pay for utilities.

The additional apartments bring the number of housing units available to students to 368, with 304 located on the East New Orleans campus. The seminary has no current plans to purchase additional housing.

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On The Coast

21 Men And Women Study Literary Course

Gulf Coast and Jackson County Associations sponsored a literacy training workshop in November. Twenty-three Baptist laymen and laywomen completed the 16-hour course taught by Mrs. Wanda Eckerberger of Houston, Tex., a specialist in literacy training, for the Home Mission Board, SBC.

Instruction was given in both morning and afternoon sessions so that employed individuals would be able to participate. Then morning and afternoon groups met together on Saturday.

Robert Tate, director of Christian social ministries for both associations, said, "Mrs. Eckerberger's inspiration was equalled only by her expertise. Her students took great pride in her observation that this was her first class in 16 years where every student who began

the class finished it."

Zeno Wells, director of the Jackson Association, is retiring this month. Sam Turner is director of the Gulf Coast Association.

Those who completed the literary course are beginning instruction on a one-to-one basis with non-readers.

Individuals who took the course are: Jackson County Association: Dan Britt, Bea Drake, Nell Everett, Betty Metzger, Marty Perkins, Sue Perry, Toshiko Pigford, Daisy Tapp, Glenn Wallace, and Leila Mae Webb.

Gulf Coast Association: Hilda DeCosta, P. Ann Dotson, Tiny Ferguson, Kathryn James, Mary Long, Dot Mitchell, James Parker, Doris Poulin, Cathy Roberts, Dorothy Roberts, Emma Lou Ryker, Ruth Tate, and Robert Tate.

Midwestern Sets New Office, Elects Baker

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (BP) — Trustees of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary named the school's first vice president for business and development and elected an associate professor of Christian ethics in semi-annual session.

C. W. Scudder, administrator of internal affairs at Midwestern since 1975, will assume duties immediately as vice president for business and development. A former pastor and teacher, he was professor of Christian ethics at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, for 21 years.

In the newly created business and development position, Scudder will continue to be in charge of business affairs, auxiliary services and physical plant operations and will initiate and continue a development program.

Larry Baker, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Fayetteville, Ark., since 1975, is the new associate professor of Christian ethics. Midwestern has been without a full-time ethics pro-

fessor since John Howell became academic dean in 1976.

Baker, 41, is a native of Louisiana. He holds the bachelor of divinity degree and the master and doctoral degrees in theology from Southwestern Seminary.

Assistant professor of Christian ethics and pastoral ministry at Southwestern, 1973-75, Baker has also taught at Midwestern as visiting professor of ethics and at Ouchita Baptist University Extension Center as Bible professor.

In other action the trustees approved a new position and responsibilities for Doran McCarty, formerly professor of theology and Christian philosophy. As professor of supervisory studies, McCarty will direct the seminary's program of supervised ministries and develop and direct a program for continuing education.

The philosopher Bacon tells us: "A lie has no legs and cannot stand; but it has wings, and can fly far and wide."

Many "Plan A" Participants Need Programs Upgraded

DALLAS, Texas — Unless certain Southern Baptist churches place additional contributions into other Annuity Board funds, many of the 22,000 ministers and church employees who participate only in "Plan A" will end working careers with inadequate retirement income.

Harold Bailey, director of church development at the Southern Baptist Annuity Board, says the amount of much current participation in the Board's church retirement program is too low because contributions are based on unrealistic salary levels.

"The old 'Plan A' was established when retirement benefits were built on contributions of 10 per cent of \$4,000 annual salaries and would have been sufficient," explains Bailey.

"This is no longer true. The Annuity Board has long since provided additional plans which allow a church or member to increase retirement benefits by increasing contributions paid into the program that are based on total annual compensations in line with today's economy."

For those already participating in "Plan A," additional participation in another Annuity Board plan is essential, Bailey says.

To supplement retirement contributions of "Plan A" participants, churches may pay additional money into one or more of three funds now

called the "Fixed," "Balanced" and "Variable Benefit" funds.

Each fund has its own philosophy, but all the funds are designed to build retirement benefits for participants.

Although "Plan A" participation is still limited to a fixed amount of contribution, no limits are placed on the amounts that can go into the retirement program.

According to Bailey, the Annuity Board is trying to help ministers and churches improve retirement program participation by providing projections of members' benefits based on their total annual compensations (salaries plus benefits).

Those interested should write: Development — Churches, Annuity Board, SBC, 511 North Akard Building, Dallas, Texas 75201.

Jefferson City, Tennessee — Carson-Newman College has received a \$22,500 special grant through the Eastman Kodak Company's 1978 Educational Aid Program, it was announced by Cordell Maddox, President of Carson-Newman. Special grants are made to help institutions meet the challenges of an increasingly complex world with new programs and specialized facilities. Carson-Newman is among 31 schools sharing \$2,322 million in Kodak special grants.

Sunday School Board Tour Attracts Record Numbers

NASHVILLE — A record number of Southern Baptists, nearly 7,000, toured the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board last year to get a firsthand view of the denomination's publishing headquarters.

The number of guests touring the Sunday School Board during the year ending Sept. 30 was up 27 percent over the previous year and the number of tours taken also increased more than one-fourth to 759.

The 60-minute tour includes extensive information about the operation of the board, the world's largest publisher of religious materials. Many of the guests express surprise at the magnitude of the literature shipping operation and at the fact the Sunday School Board does not receive monies from the denomination's Cooperative Program.

Last year the board contributed more than \$1.5 million to the operating expenses of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee and state Baptist conventions from the sales of literature and other board products.

In the last 10 years, almost 47,000 persons have toured the four building, four and one-half acre complex which

comprises Southern Baptists' education and publishing agency.

Youth choirs, adult choirs, senior adults, Royal Ambassadors, Acteens and families are the most frequent groups to tour the board, but tours often are conducted for one or two persons. Free parking is available for Baptists wanting to see the board, and a cafeteria is located in the facilities.

Groups, families or individuals interested in planning a tour of the board may write to Mrs. Lynn Walker, Office of Communications, 127 Ninth Ave., North, Nashville, Tenn. 37234.

Nashville, Tenn. (BP) — The executive committee of the Baptist Sunday School Board has approved the use of \$350,000 to construct a 10,000-square-foot auditorium at the Glorieta Conference Center. Robert Turner, conference center division director, said the auditorium will be used to meet the needs of an expanded youth program, Centrifuge, being introduced at the Glorieta (N.M.) and Ridgecrest (N.C.) Conference Centers. The new Glorieta facility also will provide space for indoor recreation, including basketball and volleyball.

Devotional

How Long Is A Football Game?

By Raymond Lloyd, Pastor, First, Starkville

Most of us sit in the stands, or before the TV set for 2½-3 hours to watch a football game. The season is nearly over now, so perhaps you men better not tell your wives, but a football game lasts the whole sum of 6 minutes.

That's right — regardless of how long it takes from the kick-off to the final buzzer — the time involved in actual playing the game is about 6 minutes. Take your stop watch and time it on one of the upcoming bowl games. Most of the time is spent in getting ready. And the "getting ready part" is perhaps the most important.

It is the same way with church. The playing time is perhaps 40-45 minutes in a Sunday School class, or 60 minutes in a worship service, but the getting ready part — the praying, visiting, study, witnessing, helping — is what really produces a winner.

No football team ever won a game with six minutes playing time and nothing else. Few souls are won to Christ, few strong churches have ever been built, few great churches exist, few hurting people have been helped, few missionaries ever sent, with just Sunday morning "playing time." The Sunday experience in church should be the climax of a week, or weeks, of preparation.

Sunday School teacher, deacon, church member, outreach leader, Christian brother or sister, try spending at least an equal amount of preparation time as teaching or worship time, and see what a difference it will make in you, in others, and in your church.

O.K., use every opportunity to "get ready, get set" and "go" for God!

Life and Work Lesson

The Action Tells The Story

By Bill Duncan, Long Beach, First Matthew 25:31-46

It is reported that Francis of Assisi was rich, wealthy, high-born and high-spirited, but he was not happy. He felt his life was not complete. Then one day he was out riding and he met a leper, loathsome and repulsive in the ugliness of his disease. Something moved Francis to dismount and fling his arms around this wretched sufferer. To his surprise, in his arms the face of the leper changed to the face of Christ.

This parable teaches us the truth that when we are generous toward people with the simple things of life we come to know the joy of helping Jesus Christ Himself. As a result, God will judge us in accordance with our reaction to human need. God's judgment does not depend upon the knowledge we have acquired, the fame we have acquired, or the fortune we have gained, but on the help that we have given.

The Day

This is a prophetic picture of the final judgment awaiting all people. The story makes it clear that Christ is the judge. All nations are judged by the same standard: love reflected in ministries to others. The old national lines are obliterated before the King; to the right and left hand, sheep and goats.

Notice the sentence and the verdicts. To those on the right He says, "Come enter the Kingdom." The basis of this sentence was giving a hungry man a meal, a thirsty man a drink, welcoming a stranger, cheering the sick, or visiting the prisoner. These are things which anyone can do. It was not a case that would require thousands of dollars, but just a cup of water.

Those who helped did not think they were helping Christ. They helped because they could not stop themselves from helping. The help which wins the approval of God is the help which is given for nothing but for the sake of helping.

Why do people break the law? Is it because they do not think they will get caught? Most people obey all the laws when a policeman is watching. It is when the police are not looking that we take chances with the law.

Most people refuse to face the fact that someday there is going to be a

judgment day. They think that somehow by cleverness the rap can be beat. But no man in his right mind can decide that he can outwit God, the judge of all the universe.

When we come to that place that divides this life from the next, there God will be standing and upon us He will put His judgments.

The Division

When Jesus tells us about the Judgment Day, He says we are going to be surprised. The astonished people on the right side will say to Him, "When were these things so?" The ones on the left will be just as surprised. They will say, "When... When?" "Inasmuch as ye did it" or "did not do it." What a marvelous, revealing thing it will be.

We may go along leaving God out of our lives, but God does not leave Himself out. In everything I do, God is involved. The goats, the unredeemed, have neglected needy people.

This picture of judgment is that of separation. Sheep were the symbol of the saved, perhaps because of their helplessness and dependence on the shepherd. Goats were not considered bad and were prized as wealth. The sheep were separated and placed on the right hand, the place of honor, and the goats were placed on the left in the place of dishonor and rejection.

The two are placed into the groups to which they belong. Jesus does not so much judge as he declares judgment already made by the Father. Sheep and goats often were mixed in a single flock. While sheep and goats often fed together during the day-time, they were separated at night because the goats required more protection from the cold.

The Duty

The phrase "inherit the Kingdom" is a key term in this study. To inherit the Kingdom involves more than entering the Kingdom. Those who have entered the Kingdom through faith look forward "to an inheritance... reserved in heaven" for them (1 Peter 1:4). Those who are saved have entered the Kingdom. However, they will inherit its full riches to the degree in which they have done good works, such as feeding the hungry, giving water to the thirsty, clothing the naked, visiting the sick or imprisoned for Christ's sake. One cannot maintain right relations with

Christ and ignore his brethren who are in need."

To the unbelieving lost on His left hand, who have not done these deeds of love, the Judge will say: "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels." He will reward the persons according to their responsibility and deeds, reward or punishment.

Uniform Lesson

God Judges And Forgives

By Jackie C. Hamilton, Highland, Meridian Hosea 4:1-3, 11:1-4, 8, 9

The name of Hosea means "helper" or "savior." Hosea was the son of Beeri and lived in the Northern Kingdom, Israel, where he exercised his office as prophet. His ministry probably began in the last year of Jeroboam II, or about 755 B.C., and it extended for thirty years to about 725 B.C.

The first three chapters of Hosea cover the portion of his ministry under Jeroboam II, when the strong hand of Jeroboam kept the country in order. The remainder of his ministry covered the extremely hectic period which followed the death of Jeroboam II.

I. Reasons For God's Judgment (Hosea 4:1-3)

The phrase, "blood toucheth blood," (translated "murder follows murder") means that so much blood is spilled in so many places that all of the puddles run together into one giant sea of blood! This is a powerful and chilling figure of speech expressive of the desperate condition of the country.

"Hear the Word of the Lord" is a common introduction. The phrase is the kind used by court heralds when making an announcement having the King's authority. Hosea is making a public announcement that a case is to be heard, "For the Lord has a charge to bring against the people of the land."

The charges sound like general ones of moral laxity, but they are more specific than they seem. God was believed to have made a covenant with his people, first at Sinai and then at Shechem, and this covenant involved certain conditions, one summary of

which is in the Ten Commandments. Hosea's words are carefully chosen illusions to those famous conditions. The action which God is bringing is a specific one of breach of contract.

It is not easy to point out the ways in which people have failed God, yet the gospel requires Christians to talk about personal sin. Christians can do this by studying the Bible; that way no one feels he is being singled out. Unless sin is described there is no way a person can understand God's judgment.

The charge that Israel was not keeping the covenant is coupled with a positive indictment sighting specific deeds. The proliferation of such deeds shows that the Northern State had already sunk to the level of a chaotic society which had no recognizable relation to the divine law. They had become like the Judah which Jeremiah would describe a century later, a nation that combined vigorous piety and heedless disobedience.

Social violence had become the content of their lives. As Hosea eloquently puts it, no moment was left free of their crime as one bloody deed followed another. The accusation, then, is a sweeping assertion that Israel has completely broken the terms of the Yahweh covenant and is punishable by the curses which enforced its integrity.

In 1:3, there is a reference to the "mourning of the land." Sin wreaks a terrible toll on man and nature alike. There is no connection between spiritual disobedience and suffering hardship in everyday life. People depend on the land; they depend on wildlife. God's judgment can be seen in his withholding of these natural

A local forecaster of the weather was so often wrong in his predictions that he became the laughing stock of the community. He, therefore, asked headquarters to transfer him to another station.

A brief correspondence ensued. "Why," asked headquarters, "do you wish to be transferred?" "Because," the forecaster promptly replied, "the climate doesn't agree with me."

Here are some of the questions and answers overheard at the Bureau of Naturalization:

"Where is Washington?"
"He's dead."
"I mean the Capital of the United States."
"Oh, they loaned it all to Europe."
"Do you promise to support the Constitution?"
"Me? How can I? I've a wife and six children to support."

distorted impression of God. They think his laws stifle their self-expression. They do not accept his moral principles as restraints of compassion and love. The truth is that fulfillment and meaning in life are found only in submitting to God's love. His continuing compassion is our only hope.

In verses 8 and 9, God told Israel that captivity was on the horizon. Destruction awaited the country. Israel was "appointed to the yoke" of judgment because she had refused the "yoke" of God's loving care. The prophecies of verses 5-7 came true when the Assyrians invaded and subjugated Israel in 722 B.C. But in these verses (vs. 8, 9) God comes back to his heartfelt cry of love for his people. In spite of their rebellion, He still loves them.

"Admah" and "Zeboyim" cannot be identified, and about the circumstances of their overthrow nothing is known. We only know that they are sometimes linked in scripture with Sodom and Gomorrah as instances of total and spectacular destruction.

Hosea has done something characteristic of Old Testament writers. Having talked of God in terms of intensely human analogies he puts all analogy in its place with a single, shattering statement: "For I am God and not a man, the Holy One in your midst."

However useful the analogy of human love may be, it fails to convey everything that needs to be conveyed. For in the last resort God's love is unlike human love. Human love does have its limits. Marriages do sometimes end in divorce and parents do sometimes take their delinquent children before the courts. The love of God, Hosea implies, has no such limits. The title "Holy One" indicates the total difference of God from men.